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#### **AMENDMENT**

In response to the Official Action of April 10, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims.

- 21. (Amended). The method of Claim 16 wherein said first substance is methanol and said second substance is dimethyl sulfoxide.
- (Amended). The method of Claim 16 wherein said first substance is ethanol and said second substance is dimethyl sulfoxide.

#### REMARKS

Claims 13-16 and 18-32 are in the present application.